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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

A response to the Office Action of July 19, 2006 is being filed concurrently with this Request for Extension of Time.

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Office Action dated June 13, 2006:

One month up to and including November 19, 2006; the extension fee is \$60.00.

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